

WALKING by FAITH

Grade 3 / Home Lesson

CHAPTER 10 NEW LIFE IN JESUS

Objectives

- Explain that from death can come new life.
- Explain that Jesus sacrificed his life for all people.
- Describe the events of the Last Supper.
- Proclaim belief in the Paschal mystery.

Step 1: *We Are Invited* (Life Experience), page 60

Invite your child to think about a time when someone he or she knows was very generous with time, money, or talents. Share an example of your own.

Pray together the opening **Prayer** on page 60.

Read the text. Draw attention to the photos on this page. Invite your child to read aloud and respond to the caption questions.

Step 2: *We Explore* (Doctrine), pages 61–63

Read the text on page 61: **A Loving Choice**. Be sure your child understands the meanings of the terms *sacrifice* and *resurrection*. See the **Language of Faith** at the back of the textbook for complete definitions.

Read aloud the **Catholics Believe** statement, and then ask: How did God the Father reward Jesus for his sacrifice? (by raising him to new life) How do we benefit by the sacrifice that Jesus made? (We are saved from the power of sin and everlasting death.)

Draw attention to the photo of the priest holding up the host and chalice. Read the caption aloud. Encourage your child to remember the sacrifice of Jesus each time he or she attends Mass.

Read the **Scripture Story** on page 62: **The New Covenant**. Use the **Language of Faith** at the back of the textbook to explain the highlighted terms. Explain that Jesus' dying on the cross began the new covenant, or holy agreement, between God and all people. Ask: What was the bread Jesus shared? (his Body) What was the wine? (his Blood) When do we hear the words, "This is my Body" and "This is my Blood?" (at Mass)

Read aloud the **Scripture Signpost**. Invite your child to respond to the question. (Jesus' sacrifice was the single grain that made the fruit of the Church grow.)

Provide materials for your child to make a bookmark or poster as suggested in the **Activity**.

Read aloud the text on page 63, and talk through the chart on **The Paschal Mystery**. Be sure your child knows that the term *Paschal mystery* is used to describe Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection; see the **Language of Faith**.

Step 3: We Reflect (Integration of Faith into Everyday Life), page 64

Review the material taught in this lesson by working through **Recall** and **Think and Share** at the top of page 64. Allow your child time to complete the activity for **Continue the Journey**.

Read aloud and discuss **We Live Our Faith: At Home** and **In the Parish**. Try to follow through on the suggestions found there.

Refer to the **Language of Faith** section in the back of the textbook for clarification and review of all highlighted words.

Complete the **Faith Journal**, pages 19–20.

Step 4: Celebrate (Prayer and Conclusion), page 65

Close the lesson with prayer. Read together the paragraphs on page 65 under **Alleluia!** and explore the photos together. Then pray the closing **Prayer**. Remind your child that this is a response prayer we often pray at Mass.